

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member if all these four officers are capable of being appointed as the head of the department?

PRESIDENT: It is a matter of opinion.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member whether the person proposed to be appointed possesses higher qualifications than those in the department?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question has not been decided as to who should be appointed whether it should be a person from outside the State or from the State service itself.

The V. M. Schools for Girls in Nedumangad.

134. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state how many V. M. Schools for Girls there are in the Nedumangad taluk?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): One.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether that one school is held in a Government building?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It is held in a rented building.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member why that school is held in a rented building?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Because the Government building there collapsed.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member how long it is since the Government building collapsed?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It collapsed about a year and a half ago. I believe, I gave a similar answer yesterday also.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether there is any proposal for reconstructing the building or erecting a new building?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes; an estimate has been called for.

Article headed "A Warning to Cocoa Mat Buyers."

135. *MR. K. C. KARUNAKARAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of an article published under the caption, "A Warning to Cocoa Mat Buyers" in The Carpet and Upholstery Trade Review and the Rug Trade Review of 15th January 1934?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.